



**Directions:** Use the document and the facts below to answer the question that follows.

**Document:** This passage is from an opinion column by J. E. Wright in *The Evening Missourian* (Columbia, Mo.), March 1, 1919. Wright calls for the ratification of the Treaty of Versailles ending World War I. Ratification of the Treaty would have resulted in the United States joining the League of Nations.

"This is a question that enters every home in the land and that deeply concerns every man, woman and child. We must enter a League of Nations, or we must support an enormous army at the expense of the taxpayers. The plan unquestionably is for an advance of civilization, and is a step which should be taken at the earliest possible moment . . . There is not a provision in the twenty-six articles which restricts a legitimate right of any sovereign nation or proposes a hardship on anyone . . . We are happy to see former President Taft raising his voice in aid of the League of Nations and doing all he can to assist President Wilson in the adoption of this national and important question."

## **Related facts:**

- 1. Woodrow Wilson was elected to his second term as president in 1916.
- 2. On November 19, 1919, the Senate voted 38-53 to reject the Treaty of Versailles and membership in the League.
- 3. Warren G. Harding, who strongly opposed the United States joining the League of Nations, won the Presidential election of 1920 in a landslide.
- 4. In 1935, the League of Nations reached its high point with 58 members.

## **Question:**

Which <u>2</u> of the 4 facts above help you determine whether J.E. Wright's views about the Treaty of Versailles were **typical** or **atypical** for Americans at the time?

Explain your reasoning on the following page.







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